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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
Elliott D. LIGHT et al.

Serial No.: 09/759,107

Filed: January 12, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
OBTAINING TELEPHONE STATUS  
OVER A NETWORK

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as  
follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend numbered paragraph 1 to read as follows:

1. This application is a continuation in part of  
application no. 08/963,373, filed October 20, 1997, now  
U.S.P. 6,175,616. The 08/963,373 application is  
incorporated herein by reference, in its entirety, for  
all purposes.

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